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## **Branson Police Announces Teen Academy**

The City of Branson Police Department will be hosting its first ever Teen Academy at Branson High School during the week of June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The week-long course is designed to provide high school students with practical exercises, and allow them to explore potential careers, in law enforcement. Activities will include an overview of criminal law and procedures with some hands-on activities such as mock vehicle stops and crime scene investigations.

"The idea is to give the teens a behind-the-scenes look at police services, and an opportunity to interact with the employees who deliver those services," said Assistant Chief Stan Dobbins. "We hope it results in greater awareness of how those services work and how the functions of the Police Department impact their daily lives."

The Police Department has enrolled 17 Branson High School students. The School Resource Officer Steve Mobley organized the registration of the students, but instruction will come from many members of the Police Department staff and leadership.

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